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SUBJECT: COUNTERFEIT U.S. CURRENCY

1. AMCIT FRANK BUTLER, RESIDENT OF PORTUGAL, HAS BROUGHT EMBASSY FOUR ONE HUNDRED DOLLAR BILLS, APPARENTLY COUNTERFEIT. BUTLER REPORTS THAT NOTES WERE SHOWN TO HIM AT SMALL NIGHT CLUB, BOITE ELEFANTE, LOCATED IN LISBON SUBURB OF CASCAIS. PASSER OF NOTE WAS PORTUGUESE CITIZEN RECENTLY RETURNED FROM MOZAMBIQUE, MISS ANA MARIA LAM, ABOUT 20 YEARS OLD. MISS LAM CLAIMS TO HAVE GOTTEN THEM FROM UNNAMED BOY-FRIEND. BOTH LAM AND BOY FRIEND SEEMED UNAWARE OF PUTATIVE VALUE OF NOTES SINCE THAT IS WHY THEY WERE SHOWN TO BUTLER. BUTLER IS OF OPINION THAT LAM, AT ANY RATE, IS INNOCENT HOLDER IN DUE COURSE.

2. ALL FOUR ARE FEDERAL RESERVE NOTES ISSUED BY NEW YORK, 1969 SERIES, FACE PLATE NUMBER H6, LETTER QUADRANT NUMBER H2, NO BACK PLATE NUMBERS. SERIAL NUMBERS, B07410471A, B07538140A, B07410178A AND B07538100A. BILLS ARE GOOD IMITATIONS EXCEPT FOR FRANKLIN'S PICTURE AND POOR QUALITY OF PAPER. ALL FOUR APPEAR WORN.

3. GOMES AT POLICIA JUDICIARIA, PORTUGAL'S INTERPOL CONTACT, HAS BEEN NOTIFIED. EMBASSY HAS ALL FOUR BILLS IN CUSTODY. UNLESS INSTRUCTED OTHERWISE, TWO WILL BE SENT TO YOU AND TWO UNCLASSIFIED

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SURRENDERED TO GOMES' SUBORDINATE, MELO ALVES. ACTION OFFICERS

AT LISBON ARE WILLIAMS AND POVENMIRE, ARREDONDO ALSO FULLY
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